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Jerry/Fran: Below is the annual invitation from Region 5 to their week of training. As you might imagine, they would really like a presentation/discussion from one of our OSCs at the WV Freedom spill.

Fran – see about locking in Dennis Matlock or Mellissa linden for the dates below and please advise Michelle as to if they can attend. <u>In the event they cannot, please caucus</u> with **Heston** and reach agreement on another OSC – and advise Michelle as such.

Please note the dates below and date for gov't room reservations. Thanks.....let me know when you have closed the loop.

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Subject: Invitation to Participate in Region 5 OSC Training/Full Scale Exercise

Dave/Jim -

I am sending this invitation on behalf of Jason and Sam, and in my role as the R5 Training and Exercise Coordinator.

Region 5 is holding our annual week of OSC Training, including our Full Scale Exercise, the week of March 10-14 in Angola, IN. We would like to invite both of our Back-Up Regions to participate in our annual event, as this is a great opportunity to train and exercise together. Our RA has set an extremely limited EPA travel ceiling for this training/conference. As such, we regret that we can only invite one OSC per Region to this year's events.

I have attached the latest draft agenda to this message.

Please note that we have included an hour placeholder for a joint presentation on the Charlestown WV Chemical Spill. Our hope is that ideally you might send a R3 and/or R4 OSC who is knowledgeable about this response. If this is not possible, or if you elect to send a different OSC, we can work on some sort of webinar presentation.

Our Full Scale Exercise will be held on March 11-12, and this year's agenda includes Level A and Level C entries. Your OSCs are welcome to participate as a player or an observer. If they plan to play, they would need to supply their own SCBA/Respirator equipment. (I am sure you are already aware that the 2014 Core NAR reviews do not call for Back-Up Region evaluation of the Full Scale/Level A exercises).

I have also attached the hotel reservation form for the Potawatomi Inn. We have a block of

rooms at the government rate reserved until 2/9/14. Reservations/rates after this date are subject to the Inn's availability. I have also attached the tax exempt form each EPA employee should bring to Angola.

We hope you both will be able to send an OSC to join us, and we would appreciate it if you could keep us posted on the feasibility of both OSC attendance and also the joint presentation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jason, Sam or myself.

Thank you both - Michelle

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